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SE Conference Meets at Wadley, Ala.

The Annual Meeting of the Southeast Conference of the United Church of Christ was held on the campus of the Southern Union State Junior College, Wadley, Alabama, April 25-26, 1970. Two hundred delegates and visitors attended. Dr. Homer C. McEwen, pastor of the First Congregational Church in Atlanta, presided over the meeting as Moderator, with W. R. Green, Jr., of Huntsville, newly elected Moderator, presiding over the closing session.

Speaking at the meeting, Mrs. T. F. Wallace of Kansas reported that the Consultation on Church Union has delivered a first draft of a plan of union "for study and revision." She emphasized that the churches are not being asked to accept or reject the plan, but to take part in its further development.

"I urge you," she said, "to join with your neighbor churches of the other COCU denominations for ecumenical study sessions. I urge you to begin the process of working together to seek to know God's will for His church."

Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Holland, mission interpreters for our Board for World Ministries, not only spoke to the Conference to help us see what our missionaries are really doing around the world, but they had a 10-day schedule of speaking in the churches in the southern Alabama area before and after the Conference. The need for gifts to Our Christian World Mission was strongly emphasized and was clearly seen in the pictures they presented.

Don Bundy of the Pension Boards in New York spoke to the Conference and had many personal conferences with ministers as they sought counsel in the Health Insurance Plan, the Ministers' Family Protection Plan, and the Annuity Fund.

Southern Union Faced Difficulties

President Walter Graham of Southern Union State Junior College was given the assurance by contractors that the new dormitory and the new dining hall would be ready for use by April 1, 1970. Then came the winter rain, the spring rain, the strike by various groups, and one delay after another, but the college still provided some rooms in the new dormitory and food was served in the old dining hall.

Our thanks to the dining room people who fed more than 200 delegates and visitors in spite of changes and difficulties at the last moment.

Members of the Wadley Church were busy behind the scenes seeing that all details for the Conference were taken care of in spite of rain and mud.

Social Action Committee Speaks

After considerable discussion on floor of the Conference and in interest groups, the report of the Social Action Commission was adopted in general as printed in last month's issue of the Southeast News, except for Item 7.

Item 7 was changed to detail suggestions as to how the church might be a peacemaker in the world. (This item as changed is not available as this goes to the printers.)

Support for Institutions

Elon Home for Children, Uplands Retirement Center, and Dorchester Improvement Association were highlighted by displays and talks by leaders from these institutions. Healing the broken families, caring for the aged, and the improvement of a county in Georgia were needs we must undertake.

The Conference requested that the churches put these institutions in their church budgets.

New Officers for 1970-71

W. R. Green, Jr. of Huntsville, Ala., was elected Moderator. Long interested in Lay Life and Work, he has served as chairman of that Commission. He is on the Long Range Planning Committee of the Conference. In his local church, he has served in many capacities, but primarily as financial secretary. He was sent as a delegate to the 7th General Synod of the United Church of Christ held in Boston in June 1969.

Mrs. W. Walter Hall of Lanett, Ala., was elected Moderator-Elect of the Conference. Wife of the minister in Lanett, she has served in many capacities in her local church and she has served as chairman of the Commission on Lay Life and Work in the Conference. Last year she was a delegate to the 7th General Synod.

Mrs. Marrell Rhodes, Tallassee, Alabama, continues as secretary of the Conference. Active in the East Tallassee Church, she has never been too busy to assist in summer camps, attend meetings and record the minutes of the Conference.

A newcomer to the list of officers is Mr. Norris L. Connally of Atlanta, Ga., and a member of First Congregational Church. He is employed by the Atlanta Life Insurance Co.

The president of the Southeast Youth, Mike Granish of Atlanta, Ga., is a new member of the Board of Directors cause of his recent election to the office of president. Mike is a junior this year in the Peachtree High School, Atlanta, Ga.

A Deficit Budget Adopted

The 1970 budget of \$101,796.40 was adopted by the Conference. To meet the needs, the churches of the Conference will need to give \$17,000 more than they gave in 1969. Will they do it? If they will, then we will not face a deficit.

Service of Worship Concludes the Conference

One of the most meaningful services of worship ever experienced by those present was the Sunday morning worship closing the Conference. Preceded by the song festival of the "Good Neighbors," seventeen young people from the area of Lanett, Ala., worship was the natural sequence.

Meditations and the service of Holy Communion were led by Rev. Donald Orander of the Nashville, Brookmeade Church, and by Rev. John Roemer of the Nashville First Church. The reader of the scriptures was Mrs. S. L. Peterson of Nashville. Also sharing in the service were clergy and lay people of the East Alabama area.

Not only were we called to "Heal Our Brokenness" (theme of the Conference), but we were reminded that "reconciliation is our business." Then we gathered at the communion table to remind ourselves of our oneness and of our ministry as Christian people.

Harold H. Thomas Retires as Conference Treasurer

After serving as treasurer of the Southeast Conference for three years, Mr. Harold Thomas felt that he could no longer serve because of ill health.

Mr. Thomas made many trips to the Conference office to sign checks and to discuss finances of the Conference. Having served as Moderator of the Ga.-S.C. Association (formerly associated with the Convention of the South), he knew many of our churches and their needs.

The Conference in annual session at Wadley, Ala., this past month, expressed gratitude for his ministry among us.

Bethany Church Has 79th Anniversary

The Bethany Congregational Church of Thomasville, Ga., celebrated its 79th anniversary March 16-23, 1970. Five churches in the area participated in the week-long special worship services which included music from visiting choirs and messages from guest ministers.

Welcome addresses were given by the following members of the church: Mrs. Eula Mae Davis, Mrs. Mildred W. Newton, Mrs. Norma H. Scott, Mr. Willie Hayes, and Miss Denise Bryant.

The high point of the week was reached on Sunday, March 22, when the Rev. Andrew J. Young, executive vice-president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and a former pastor of Bethany Church, stated "... All that I've learned would not have amounted to much had I not come to this community ..." and went on to speak of the spirit of love and compassion that

exists in Thomasville. He spoke of the history of slaves in brilliant terms and went on to say, "This is the time, this is the place for which we have been working for so many years ... We are beginning to take our rightful place, not only as servants of America, but as the leaders of America."

Another former minister, the Rev. James T. Crutcher, conducted the morning service and assisted throughout the day. Other participants in the day's activities included William Mitchell, who gave the history of Bethany Church, the Susie H. Dunlap Band, directed by Samuel L. Boykins, and Mrs. Juanita Jackson, who presented plaques to five persons who were considered oldest members of the church. Receiving plaques were Mrs. M. C. Flipper, Richard Williams, Mrs. Eula Mae Davis, John H. Massey, and Mrs. Mitchell. Mrs. Mildred Newton gave acknowledgements, recognizing the Allen Normal School Alumni.

Mrs. Flipper joined the church in 1902 and is still a very faithful member. She served as church treasurer for 31 years, pianist 28 years, and church school worker, to mention a few of the offices held over a number of years.

Mrs. Mitchell, the present church school treasurer, joined the church in 1935 and is a dedicated hard worker.

Mr. Richard Williams, deacon emeritus, joined the church in 1903, served as church clerk, superintendent of church school, teacher of Adult Class, and was active in all phases of the church program.

Mrs. Eula Mae Davis affiliated with the church in 1919, is a former president of the Ladies Fellowship, past chairman of Vespers Committee, and has served in many other capacities.

Mr. John H. Massey is a former chairman of the Board of Trustees and has worked diligently in other phases of Bethany's program.

We congratulate Bethany Congregational Church of Thomasville!

Willard A. Kratz Installed At Pleasant Hill, Tenn.

After several years of waiting for a pastor, the Pleasant Hill Community Church, Pleasant Hill, Tenn., rejoiced to have Willard A. Kratz installed as pastor and teacher on Sunday evening, February 15, 1970. Challenging the church to a new ministry was the Rev. George Nishimoto of the Council for Church and Ministry, New York. Rev. Stephen L. Peterson of Nashville led the installation service, and the Rev. W. J. Andes, Conference Minister, gave the charge to the new pastor and to the people.

During the past several years, the Rev. H. Wayne Peck, administrator of the Uplands Retirement Center, has served as interim pastor. He was assisted by ministerial members of the congregation and by the Rev. W. R. Winterbottom, pastor of the Crossville Church, who did much of the pastoral work in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. Kratz came to Pleasant Hill from Dayton, Ohio, where they ministered in the St. John's Church since 1961. They have four children, one of

whom is now enrolled "in care" of the Alabama-Tennessee Association, preparing for the ministry.

The Southeast Conference welcomes the Kratz family to our fellowship.

GREETINGS TO—

Kevin Jackson, born April 13, 1970, to Rev. and Mrs. James C. Jackson, 339 Dunson St., Andalusia, Ala. 36420. Mr. Jackson is pastor of First Church, Andalusia.

Curtis Kenneth Black, who, as a five-week-old, has come to live with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth D. Black, 1812 Cedar Lane, Nashville, Tenn. 37212. Mr. Black is treasurer of the Brookmeade Church in Nashville.

Churches Visit

As a result of the January Churchmanship Institute, held in the First United Church of Christ, Sweetwater, Tenn., the Pilgrim Congregational Church, Chattanooga, invited the people of Sweetwater to visit with them on March 8 for a get-acquainted meeting and for a sharing of ideas and views.

Various groups in each church met together, discussed plans and programs, and sought a common witness as United Churches of Christ.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES:

Brookmeade, Nashville

The Junior High Youth group is publishing a newspaper, "The Conscious." On the first weekend in May the group is planning to have an overnight canoe trip. They have five advisors for this venture, but they need equipment, not the least of which is canoes.

Gordon Bonnell, former moderator of the Brookmeade Church, is the leader for the Advertising Committee of the church, formed for promotion and outreach.

A Creative Arts Committee is in the process of being formed under the leadership of Joel Tibbets.

The church had a "Folk Service" on February 22.

The Church School is now meeting at 10:00 a.m. and attendance is averaging 45 a Sunday. Two adult-senior high classes have been added, with Martin Lewis leading one of the classes on "Innovations in Worship."

The Rev. Donald B. Orander is the pastor of Brookmeade Church.

State Line Church

The State Line Church near Lanett, Ala., is making some progress. The attendance is increasing. We have been raising money to put a new coat of paint on the church. Many have subscribed to this fund. The ladies of the church

sponsored a dinner plate sale at the clubhouse and raised \$245. The officers of the church have already contracted with a painter to paint the building.

Our new project is to put water to the church and build two rest rooms. We are looking forward to our homecoming August 9, with an afternoon sing and our revival starting with the evening service. Rev. Graham Norris will be the evangelist and Willie McGill will lead the singing.

Our pastor, Rev. A. C. Nelson, has been urging the church to go forward with these improvements to the church property.

Janice Ramsey, Reporter

Mt. Creek U.C.C.

An inspiring Easter sunrise service was held at 5:30 Easter Sunday morning. Those in attendance were inspired by special music and the voices of Mrs. Geraldine McInnis, Mrs. Montez Boldin, and the Sam Johnson, Jr. family. This was followed by a reading of "The Cross of Christ" by Mrs. Frankie Blankenship.

The Rev. Otto Culpepper, pastor of the Mt. Creek Church, brought the Easter message and others taking part in the service were Ms. James Farmer, Mr. Donald Wilson, and Rev. Leonard Smith.

There was a large attendance at both Sunday school and the morning worship service. The congregation was particularly happy to have the Rev. and Mrs. Culpepper back with them, as this was his first church after entering the ministry twenty years ago.

Mt. Creek Church was the setting for the uniting in marriage of Miss Judy Faison of Headland, Ala. and Mr. Sammy Carr of Ozark. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Otto Culpepper on March 20 at 7:30 p.m. After a honeymoon trip, the couple will make their home in Headland, Ala.

Another school year will shortly come to a close and plans are being laid by Mrs. Culpepper and the other ladies of the church for an active Vacation Bible School time just ahead.

HAVE YOU MET JESUS?

"The Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world."

This is a day of little faith, of few convictions; a day when men seem to have no great causes and no great passions. So, in frustration, in disappointment, they are inclined to say, "You can't change human nature!" It is true we cannot change human nature. But God can.

There is a new reason for living. God hasn't given up yet on His world which could be one world of security, peace and brotherhood, instead of two worlds of suspicion and fear. God hasn't given up on this country, which is His latest experiment in human freedom and opportunity.

God hasn't given up on you. We are, after all, like clay. We need not despair. Let us remember there is a potter and his wheel. The old gospel song

has it right, "Have thine own way, Lord. Have thine own way, Thou art the potter, I am the clay; mould me and make me after thy will; while I am waiting, yielded and still."

Mrs. Minnie Lee Thomas
Caddo Congregational Christian Church

'The Bible In The Midst of Life,' 1970 Vacation Church School Theme

If you attended the Annual Meeting of the Southeast Conference at Wadley, Alabama, you probably looked at the Vacation Church School display. Most of the material centered around the 1970 Cooperative theme: "The Bible in the Midst of Life."

For Kindergarten children, the course entitled "The Bible Is for Me" provides opportunities to begin to understand that the Bible is a guide for everyday life. As the children work and play together, they can put into practice the message of love which permeates the Bible. Kindergarten materials include a teacher's guide, a resource packet for the teacher, and a pupil's book.

"Our Bible Helps Us" is the course for **primary children**, relating Bible teachings to these children's experiences, and enabling them to understand that the Bible can help them discover ways to handle problems that arise. Primary materials also include a teacher's guide, a resource packet, and a pupil's book.

The course, "The Bible Speaks to Me," is designed to help **junior boys and girls** understand the imperative accepted by Christians to "love your neighbor as yourself" and to apply it in their own relationships with others in the light of the Bible and the teachings and person of Jesus. The pupil's book contains a self-rating chart, open-end stories, a matching game, hymns, and many stories about people using the Bible as a guide in their lives. The teacher's book gives suggestions for many audio-visuals, as well as games from other countries. A resource packet for the teacher completes the junior material.

Junior highs, through their course, "The Bible in Today's World," should receive help in discovering the Biblical meaning of love with its application to their own relationships. Experiences suggested for the ten sessions attempt to bring together the Biblical foundations for Christian relationships and the everyday world of the junior high. Both a teacher's guide and a pupil's book are a part of this course.

Executive Council of General Synod Meets

The Executive Council of the United Church of Christ has agreed to shorten the 1971 General Synod meeting to five days, thus saving nearly \$50,000 for Conference delegate expenses. The meeting will be held in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Also approved was a recommendation that the United Church Assembly be held on alternating years with the General Synod.

It adopted a statement on "The Crisis of Drug Abuse." This statement calls upon churches, associations, and conferences:

1. To be adequately informed regarding addiction, therapy, and prevention.
2. To assist pastor and lay persons to reclaim persons.
3. To support community projects for rehabilitation.
4. To support legislation that provides for effective control of the drug traffic which also provides medical and social treatment.
5. To help improve the wholesome value structure in society.
6. To combat the moral climate which allows spiritual emptiness, discrimination, poverty, inadequate housing, restricted opportunity to exist, thus distorting human personality and the escape through drugs.

Lay School of Theology Offered at Lancaster

The 12th annual Lay School of Theology will be presented at Lancaster Theological Seminary during the week of June 14-20, 1970.

This opportunity for resident study at the Seminary has brought lay men and women from many parts of the country to the campus in Lancaster each summer.

Courses will include "Religion and the Arts," by Prof. Robert Duke; "World Religions and the Christian Faith," by Prof. John B. Noss; and "A New Look at Biblical Study," by Prof. Jesse H. Brown. Dean Lee J. Gable will serve as dean of this year's school.

The cost for tuition, room and board for the full week, Sunday through Saturday, will be \$55 for those rooming in Richards Hall. A few apartments will be available at an additional charge. There is a \$5 registration fee.

For additional information write:

Roland F. Schlueter
Director of Lay Education
Lancaster Theological Seminary
Lancaster, Pa. 17603

UCC President Speaks to Ministers' Convocation

Dr. Robert V. Moss, president of the United Church of Christ, will be the guest speaker at the Ministers' Convocation May 11, 12, 13, 1970, at Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, Ga., Having served as president of Lancaster Theological Seminary and having been a New Testament scholar, the ministers are asking him to present two lectures from the Old Testament, "The Ministry of Amos" and "The Ministry of Hosea."

The Convocation will have the theme: "We Have This Ministry?"

Dr. David Beebe, chaplain of Berry College, Rome, Ga., is to lead the ministers in "The Ministry in Worship" and Rev. Emilie Pitcock of the Southeast Conference staff will present "New Forms of Worship."

Rev. Roy Chatham, pastor of the Hillside Church in LaGrange, Ga., will present the pictures that he took while in the Holy Land.

Dr. Moss will take a look with the ministers at the United Church of Christ in the 70's and will conclude the Convocation with the Communion Service.

Floyd Carmack, James Humphrey, Neil Mosley, and David Beebe are the program committee for the Convocation. Warren Blankenhorn is chairman of local arrangements at Pine Mountain.

SEC Youth Annual Meeting Explores Current Issues

Several contemporary issues were explored by youth and adults at the Annual Meeting of SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE YOUTH, held at Central Congregational Church, Atlanta, April 11 and 12.

Issue groups included: "Peace When There Is No Peace," "Am I a Black/White Racist?," "Population Out of Control," and "How Square Is the Bible?" Competent resource people assisted the youth leaders in helping groups to explore the problems and begin work on solutions.

"Those Here Below," presented by a high school troupe of the Atlanta Academy Theater, posed the problem of the relevancy of traditional worship to today's concerns. Probing questions and a lively discussion followed, led by a member of the cast.

Opportunities were provided for participants to become acquainted. "Color" groups used mimeographed sheets with descriptive characteristics; group members were to secure the autograph of someone within the group who answered the appropriate description. The evening dinner and dance, held at Executive Park Motel, provided further opportunity for knowing each other, as did the experience of many conferees who stayed in homes of the host church.

On Sunday morning a new Steering Committee was elected: president, Mike Granish, Central Church, Atlanta; other members: Kim Butler, St. John's Church, Cullman; Jaci Chetelat, Pilgrim Church, Birmingham; Kevin Cox, Pilgrim Church, Chattanooga; Terry Edwards, Howard Church, Nashville; Barry Holmes, Congregational Christian Church, Langdale; Raymond McCroskey, First Church, Sweetwater; Terrell Shaddix, Congregational Christian Church, Lanett.

Morning worship brought the meeting to a close. Prepared and led by young people of Howard Church, Nashville, the service featured contemporary readings and an interpretative dance by Miss Karen Baker.

The Steering Committee plans to meet in June in Birmingham.

'Fragments From An Unknown Gospel'

For middle hi young people (ages 14 and 15), a Sunday church school courses being offered for the summer term as an alternative to the original United Church curriculum course: "Members One of Another."

"FRAGMENTS FROM AN UNKNOWN GOSPEL," as the new packet is called, is variously described as "a resource packet for youth" and "a grab-bag of rap openers." Contents include: eight large color posters by Corita; two lp albums, a book of poems, a discussion play, "Jesus Americanus," a collection of Celebrations for a New Day (poetry, songs, and a sermon-play), and a Guidebook to the Packet, offering suggestions of how and where the contents might be used.

The packet is versatile enough to be used also in summer camps, weekend events, drop-in locations, coffee houses—wherever middle hi's participate.

Cost of the complete packet is \$13.00, a saving of \$8.91 over the price of individual items. Order from United Church Board for Homeland Ministries, Division of Publication, 1505 Race St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19102.

TWO LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS PROVIDE TRAINING FOR CHURCH LEADERS

For young people and adults, some excellent opportunities for confrontation and training are available through two leadership schools in June: one at Boggs Academy, Keysville, Georgia, and the other at Maryville College, Maryville, Tennessee.

SCHOOL OF THE MID-SOUTH, MARYVILLE, TENNESSEE, will have as its over-all theme "Communicating the Gospel" in sessions to be held at Maryville College, Maryville, Tenn., June 7-12. Opportunities include a convocation each morning, time for fellowship and recreation, and the following classes:

Conflict Management in a Socially Engaged Church; Teaching in the Kindergarten, Grades 1 and 2, Grades 3 and 4, Grades 5 and 6; Exploration and Inquiry for Young Adolescents, Grades 7 and 8; Exploration and Inquiry for Middle Adolescents; Afro-American History; From Mission to Membership;

The Place of Women in American Society; Counter-Culture Emerging Life Styles; How the Word Gets Around; and Media & Methods in Inquiry in Teacher/Leader Education.

Total cost: Adults \$43; children \$25-50. For flyers and registration forms write to the Southeast Conference Office or to Rev. Haydn O. White, Maryville College, Maryville, Tenn. 37801.

LEADERSHIP SCHOOL, BOGGS ACADEMY, June 14-20, provides skill-sharpening opportunities in Christian leadership, in experiencing personal renewal, and in studying and having fellowship in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

The morning convocation will focus on the church's dependence upon the Scriptures and on clear communication of the Biblical message in the

contemporary world. Evening programs are designed to confront participants with contemporary situations facing the church.

The following classes will be offered: one for teachers of grades 1-6; one for teachers of grades 7-10; How the Word Gets Around; the ABC's of Church Education: It's Not Your Life; Ministry with the Now Generation; Music in Church Education.

Total cost \$35.00. For descriptive flyer and registration form write to the Southeast Conference Office.

Dr. Alford Carleton, Board For World Ministries, Writes

"Last week we were given by the Budget Committee of the United Church of Christ the firm figure from the 'Payment Schedule' telling us what we are to get in 1970 from the churches in Basic Support (OCWM). It is \$64,000 less than we received from the same source in 1969.

"As we are just closing up the figures on the year 1969, we know that we shall have spent a million and a quarter dollars from sources which are best lumped together as being 'non-recurring.' This has meant 'scraping the bottom of the barrel' in a number of cases.

"With predictable income for 1970 now reduced, and with the commitments already made in the adoption of the expenditure side of our 1970 budget, it is now clear that we shall have to draw nearer to two million dollars from non-recurring sources of income this year. The main such source is, of course, the unrestricted funds of the Board on which we have drawn steadily in recent years. Their total will be brought to about four and a half million dollars by the end of 1970, which is scarcely more than half a year's budget of the Board—small enough insurance of the solvency of the Board in the event of a major economic crisis of any origin.

"Remember that these unrestricted reserves are kept at interest, and that the income from them is in itself an important source of revenue for the general purposes of the Board. As we go to work on the 1971 and subsequent budgets, therefore, it becomes clear that we shall have to curtail the financial commitments of the Board considerably more than in recent years."

Board for Homeland Ministries Has Meeting In Houston, Texas

The Board for Homeland Ministries in the annual spring meeting in Houston, Texas, voted a program of training, research and action for churchmen to replace a war economy with new opportunities for democratic social change and a more responsible international policy.

A major focus of the program will be on the Federal budget: to see how the budget presently reflects the nation's emphasis on spending for the military,

and then to see how budget priorities might be shifted to spending which will lead to political and economic justice.

Holding that “all persons are entitled to a human standard of living,” the directors of the board called for a guaranteed annual minimum of \$5,500 per year for a family of four on welfare, stating that one means of meeting the cost would be to revise national priorities to draw support money from other government activities, especially defense expenditures.

The board called for “repeal of all legal prohibitions of physician-performed abortions.” Such action “would take abortion out of the realm of penal law and make voluntary and medically safe abortions legally available to all women,” the board stated.

The board voted to turn over administration of its Indian work to an all-Indian organization.

The action taken by the directors of the board at their annual April meeting recognizes the “American Indian Council for Indian Ministry of the United Church of Christ,” to which approximately \$125,000 budgeted for Indian missions in 1971 will be turned over.

I ATTENDED THE SE YOUTH CONFERENCE

It’s hard to decide where to start to tell you about the meeting in Atlanta of the Youth Fellowship groups from all over the Southeast Conference! How we tried not to be the typical tourists and stare too much at the Hippie-style clothing of some of the kids. The low curbs that make tailpipe bending inevitable (and Larry Quinn will never let me live that one down!). Or the relaxed friendliness of the young people and how they all seemed to enter into a real spirit of cooperation!

I was struck by the realization that these young people at the conference are much more aware of the world around them than I had thought; social reform, pollution, population explosion, all the things you read about in national magazines that youth are getting worked up about. And their discussions were thoughtful, intelligent, sometimes unsettling, but always indicating that they CARE about this society they’re growing up in.

We often say “Pilgrim is so small”—small perhaps, but effective. One of our group, Jaci Chetelat, was elected to the Steering Committee to assist the president in planning for the year! We can be proud of her and our whole group. Thanks to them for letting John and me go along. We had a ball!

(Mrs. James) Margaret L. Wiswall
Birmingham Pilgrim Church

Personnel Needed Overseas

An OPHTHAMOLOGIST is requested for the hospital in Muscat, Oman, where a large proportion of the people suffer from trachoma and other diseases of the eyes.

The Wai Hospital in Maharashtra, India, needs a PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE with an M.S. degree. She will teach public health and family planning in the Training School for Nurses.

There is need in several Asian countries for ministries with several years experience in URBAN AND INDUSTRIAL MINISTRIES. These men will help Asian churches develop a ministry appropriate to the particularly needs of their urban centers.

A HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR is needed by Vietnam Christian Service in Nha Trang, Vietnam.

AGRICULTURAL AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PERSONNEL are needed in Ethiopia and Equatorial Guinea to help raise the level of the rural people in the areas of health, nutrition, education, farm management, mechanics, cooperatives, home industries, etc.

An AGRICULTURIST is needed by Vietnam Christian Service to coordinate the total agricultural and development programs in Vietnam.

Two TEACHERS OF ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE for the American Mission School on Bahrain, Arabian Gulf. They will be teaching grades 1-7 for a two-year term. Must have B.A. in education and preferably background in teaching English as a second language. Knowledge of Arabic not required.

A single woman or husband and wife are needed to HEAD THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT of the American Collegiate Institute in Izmir, Turkey, B.A. in English required, M.A. preferred. Five-year term.

A single man or husband and wife are requested to TEACH HIGH SCHOOL MATH AND HEAD THE DEPARTMENT at the Tarsus School for Boys in Turkey. Five-year term. B.S. in math required, M.S. and experience desired.

A TEACHER OF CHEMISTRY OR PHYSICS who will also be HEAD OF THE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT is needed at the American Academy for Girls in Uskudar, Turkey. This five-year term requires a single woman or husband and wife with a B.S. in subject to be taught. M.S. and experience desired.

AN AGRICULTURAL AND VOCATIONAL ARTS TEACHER is needed to teach at Dansalan Junior College (Philippines) and to develop the college farm.

A WATER RESOURCE ENGINEER is needed for a period of from six months to two years in Botswana, Africa. He should be single and needs to have familiarity with geology, hydraulics, surveying, and construction.

Two single, male ENGINEERING INSTRUCTORS are needed at the Polytechnic Institute in Jaffna, North Ceylon, to train senior technicians and craftsmen.

A VOCATIONAL TRAINING WORKER with specialization in motor mechanics is needed by Vietnam Christian Service for a training program in Quang Ngai, Vietnam.

WRITE:

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Summer Opportunities For Youth And Juniors

An increasing number of opportunities in well-rounded relationships are being provided during the summer of 1970 for senior, middle and junior high youth and for junior age children.

For Middle and Senior High

School of the Mid-South, Maryville College, Maryville, Tenn., June 7-12
Leadership School, Boggs Academy, Keysville, Ga., June 14-20
Inner City Work Section, Atlanta, Ga., July 4-11
Anderson Creek Camp, near Athens, Ala., August 9-15

For Junior High

Camp Ozone, Tenn., I. July 26-31; II. August 2-7
Anderson Creek Camp, August 2-8
Pine Mountain, Roosevelt State Park, August 9-15
McIntosh Ga., Dorchester Center dates not yet established

For Junior Children

Anderson Creek Camp, I. July 12-18; II. July 26-August 1
Camp Ozone, Tenn. I. July 19-24; II. July 26-31
Roosevelt State Park, August 9-15
Dorchester Center dates not yet established

A booklet with more details, costs and with registration forms will be ready shortly. To receive your copy, write to the Southeast Conference, P.O. Box 29883, Atlanta, Ga., 30329.

Winterbottom Honored At Annual DAR Dinner

On presenting the Distinguished Man of the Year Award to the Rev. William R. Winterbottom, pastor of the United Church of Christ, Crossville, Tenn., Mrs. Frank Turner, general manager of the Cumberland County Times, had this to say:

"Mr. Winterbottom: In selecting you for this award of merit the members of the Crab Orchard Chapter of the DAR could have picked no one more deserving. I am sure the honor you feel as being the recipient, is minor, compared to the pleasure we feel at having a man such as you in our midst, always on call, above and beyond duty, a pastor, a patriot, a friend and a man among men. To tell of

your accomplishments and affiliations would take all night. Among them, I hope the most important area:

Pastor of the United Church of Christ (Congregational) since 1963.

Moderator of Ala.-Tenn. Assn. of the Southeast Conference since 1967.

Member of the Board of Directors of the Southeast Conference.

Member of the Executive Board of Directors of Uplands Retirement Center, Pleasant Hill, Tenn.

Secretary-Treasurer of Cumberland County Ministerial Association.

President of Cumberland County Cultural & Community Foundation, Inc.

Member of Board of Directors and delegate-at-large of Tennessee Mental Health Association.

Member of Board of Directors of Cumberland County Chapter of American Red Cross and Chapter Chm. from 1964-1968.

Member of Board of Directors of Southern Regional American Red Cross Blood Program.

Member Board of Directors of Cumberland County United Fund, Inc., and co-founder of this program in Cumberland County.

Member of Cumberland County Boys Club Board of Directors.

Member of Board of Directors of the Cumberland County Chamber of Commerce and past president.

Member of Cumberland County Community Theater Players.

Our sincere congratulations to you on this occasion and we hope you will be willing to continue your service to this community for many years to come."

IN MEMORIAM

Catherine Sherwood Coley Stanley, born on July 10, 1900, in Weston, Conn., was one of the young people in the First Church in Hartford, Conn., to volunteer to come to the southeast to work for the Congregational Christian Church Extension Board.

She graduated from the Hartford Seminary School of Religious Education and worked the first summer in the Albemarle area in North Carolina. She worked in Evarts, Ky., Georgia and Florida, for Dr. Knighton Bloom, Dr. Lewis Kelly, and Dr. F. P. Ensminger.

She married in 1926 and went with her husband to Corbin, Ky. In 1929, she went with him to the Barnesville, Ga., Larger Parish, then to Thorsby, Ala., and back to Lanett, Ala.

In 1941, she went with her husband into the professional service of the Boy Scouts of America where they served until his retirement time in 1967. Since March 1968 she has lived in the retirement house built by her husband at Cashiers, N.C. She died on April 13, 1970.

Both in church work and in Scouting she came to know thousands of young people.

She has one son, Lawrence Sherwood Stanley, Georgetown, S.C., and one daughter, Mrs. John R. Vandyke, Atlanta, Ga., There are five grandchildren.

Mrs. Florence Wilson passed away on Wednesday, April 1, 1970. Mrs. Wilson was born in Milford, Mass. on Sept. 5, 1890, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis B. Whitmore.

After her training, she became a school teacher, devoting many years of her life to teaching and helping children and young people. She also served in various other capacities during her long life.

Later in life she married Dr. A. P. Wilson, a Congregational minister and a devoted servant of God, who ministered, among other places, at the Demorest Federated Church, where Mrs. Wilson was a member at the time of her death.

Mrs. Wilson was involved in a number of activities in her church, seeking to honor God in her life. She was also an active participant in the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mrs. Wilson is survived by her stepdaughter, Miss Marjorie Wilson of Washington, D.C., and her sister, Mrs. Olive E. Cole of Staten Island, N.Y.

Duncan S. Ferguson
Minister, Demorest, Ga.

Dr. Glasse Elected President of Lancaster Theological Seminary

Dr. James D. Glasse was elected president of Lancaster Theological Seminary by the Corporation at a special meeting held on March 10. He succeeds Dr. Robert V. Moss, Jr., who resigned as president of the seminary on Sept. 30, 1969, after his election as president of the United Church of Christ.

Dr. Glasse is currently professor of practical theology and associate dean of the Divinity School, Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn. He has been at Vanderbilt since 1956.

In 1950 he was ordained a minister in the United Presbyterian Church and from then until the present time, combining his academic position with the parish ministry, he served many churches and held many high positions and posts throughout denominational and interdenominational circles. Dr. Glasse is author of a book entitled "Profession: Minister," and has written widely for religious and theological journals on subjects which concern the mission of the church, the nature of the ministry and the task of a seminary.

Dr. Glasse will begin his work at Lancaster on Sept. 1, 1970.

Family Thank Offering

The Family Thank Offering, a program of the United Church of Christ and administered jointly by the Council for Lay Life and Work and the Executive Council, is provided to channel expressions of gratitude into creative programs of

the church. Without this additional help these programs could not achieve much progress.

Instrumentalities of the United Church of Christ were invited to submit imaginative and important projects to a committee representing the Executive Council. In turn, this committee screened the projects and selected three for emphasis during 1970; approval was given by the Executive Council.

These projects have been allocated goals as follows: **Community Health**, \$100,000; **Scholarships for Continuing Education**, \$90,000; **New Models of Church Extension**, \$50,000.

The Only Kind Of Deed They Knew

By Dr. Angie Debo

"The history of the Indian in America ... is a story of almost unrelieved tragedy."

"Yet this year the white man has a new chance to deal justly with the Indian on the last American frontier. If previously silent citizens fail to register their opposition, the sordid theft of native lands which took place in the lower 48 states ... will be repeated in Alaska."

This article, to appear in the May issue of **United Church Herald**, gives important factual information new to many readers, and outlines clearly our responsibility in the matter.

"The Statehood Act of 1958 ... promised: 'The state and its people do agree and declare that they forever disclaim all right and title ... to any lands or other property (including fishing rights) the right and title to which may be held by any Indians, Eskimos or Aleuts.'"

"When the Bureau of Indian Affairs tried to protect the natives it was thwarted by more powerful agencies in its own Department of the Interior. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) began to patent the state's selections and to give away other land to any sports or recreation groups that wanted it.

"Our people always though they owned the land where they lived and hunted. They did not lost it by war and they did not sell it. We still feel it is ours ..."

If you would like to read the rest of this important article, subscriptions (\$4 per year) or orders for the May issue (.35 each) may be sent to:

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Rev. M. Katagiri To Head Mission Priorities, U.C.C.

The Rev. Mineo Katagiri, minister of the Ecumenical Metropolitan Mission in Seattle, Wash., since 1967, has been appointed an assistant to the president

of the two-million-member United Church of Christ, to head the denomination's Council for Mission Priorities.

The announcement was made here by the Rev. Dr. Robert V. Moss, New York City, president of the United Church of Christ.

The Council for Mission Priorities is composed of the national president and treasurer, the 40 conference executives, the chief executive of the nine instrumentalities, and the Commission for Racial Justice and the Commission on Development. It also includes a parish minister and layman elected by each of six regional councils of the church.

The purpose of the council is to deal with the program and budget priorities of the United Church of Christ and implementing them through the conferences and instrumentalities.

Born in Honolulu, Mr. Katagiri is a graduate of the University of Hawaii and Union Theological Seminary.

A-V Catalogue Available

The new Audio Visual Catalog and Guide 1970-71 is just off the press. Every pastor may expect to receive one copy free. Additional copies are available from the Office for Audio Visuals, Stewardship Council, 1505 Race Street, Philadelphia, Pa., 19102, at only \$1.00 each. A unique format allows the use of this catalog to readily find any of the more than 500 films listed. Order cards are provided.

What's Happening In Our Paradise Of The Pacific?

"To tourists, Waikiki is one of the most beautiful beaches in the world ... Few vacationers know that the beach attracts thousands of lonely, often disturbed teen-agers. Some are running from broken homes. Others have escaped solid homes where a combination of wealth and piety appears to have produced moral hypocrisy ... These youth hole up in cheap pads a few blocks from the fabulous strip or live as beach bums ... Some find a new kind of loneliness, another constellation of problems and irresistible temptations.

"To help such persons, the Honolulu Council of Churches maintains a small cottage. Hundreds have found the help they need in a friendly, non-commercial environment. 80 volunteers spend at least two evenings a month 'on duty' at the center. A drug clinic has been established next door, staffed by a corps of volunteer physicians."

The above is lifted from a festive article to appear in the June issue of UNITED CHURCH HERALD.

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